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Update on Judgement Funds

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The Menominee Tribal Legislature has received questions at the Community meetings in regards to the Judgment Funds.

In this issue of *Menominee Nation News* you will find on page 4 and 5 the plan, Distribution of Judgment Funds (P.L. 106-54) Also, you will find a breakdown on the distribution and how the funds were invested and the current investment information.

Comments, questions, and/or concerns can be directed to the Chairman's office at (715) 799-5114.

See pg. 4 & 5 for update

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Stumpage-topic of discussion at MTE General Council



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Pictured are tribal members that were in attendance of the MTE/MTL General Council Meeting. The topic of the meeting was in regards to the Stumpage payments by MTE to all Tribal members. All in all about 50 people turned out for the meeting that was held on Saturday, March 29, 2003 at 10:00 a.m. at the Menominee Casino.

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During the Annual General Council held in January, Tribal members made a motion to call a special General Council for Menominee Tribal Enterprise (MTE) specifically to discuss the stumpage issue. The motion called for mandatory attendance of the MTE Board of Directors, Tribal Legislators, and Forestry Manager, Marshall Pecore. The Menominee Tribal Legislature (MTL) took the motion under advisement, reviewed it on February 13, and set the meeting date for March 29, 2003.

The special meeting was held at the Menominee Casino, and many Tribal members attended to voice their concerns.

The meeting began with Menominee Tribal Legislator, Lisa Waukau, delivering the welcoming prayer. After an election, Jim Horton was elected chairman of the meeting. The election of tellers immediately followed, with Francis Walker being elected. Edwin Wilber was appointed Sergeant-At-Arms.

Menominee Tribal Chairperson, Joan Delabreau, pointed out that Marshall Pecore was present as well as the MTE Chairperson and members of their board. It was also stated that an invitation was extended to BIA Forester, Dave Congos,

who was also present.

Chairperson of the MTE Board of Directors, Jerilyn Grignon, delivered a power point presentation addressing the production costs and amount of profits and loss of the sawmill. Marshall Pecore, MTE Forestry Manager, then explained some very basic principles and elements of the forest. These presentations were not what some Tribal members were interested in. Some Tribal members in the audience stated that production costs, profits and loss had nothing to do with the stumpage

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Water Treatment Center completion set for late spring



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Pictured above is the new Menominee Water Treatment Facility located on Go Around Rd. in Keshena. The Tribe and the contractors are expecting on completing the facility by late Spring of 2003.

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